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		Filing Date	March 22, 2000		
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		Group Art Unit	2182		
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INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	13	- 12 =	1	X \$ 86.00 =	86.00
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed April 20, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on July 20, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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